

# NO LAYOFF AT ALCOA PLANT HERE

A cut in the monthly production of aluminum from 9,000,000 pounds to 6,000,000 pounds per month at the Torrance plant of the Aluminum Corporation of America ordered by the War Production Board will cause no layoff of workers here, it is announced by company officials.

Although the WPP has ordered one of three potlines in the plant shut down due to an increasing surplus of ingot supplies, it will still require all the employees at present on the payroll to handle the reduced production, since the company has been operating very short-handed.

E. C. Rinehart, acting local director of the War Manpower Commission, made the announcement for the government.

Production at Alcoa plants in Riverbank, Calif., and at Burlington, N. J., also was ordered curtailed.

Alcoa officials here issued the following statement to employees with regard to reports that there will be a layoff at the local plant and likewise explaining the shutdown of one potline:

"It is with extreme regret that we have been ordered to close a potline at the Los Angeles Works. As you already know, the production of aluminum is controlled by the War Production Board and they are in a much better position to see the overall picture of war requirements than any of us.

# Family Welfare Representative Assigned Here

Newest assignment to the Torrance Service Center is Mrs. Beulah Byles of the Family Welfare Association, who will begin work next Tuesday. For the present Mrs. Byles will hold office hours Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 12.

Troubled families or individuals are invited to consult with Mrs. Byles about their problems. She stands ready to counsel with families in danger of being disrupted because of marital discord, child behavior, physical or mental difficulties. Financial help is given where necessary. Family Welfare Association is a non-sectarian agency.

In addition to the case work services of Mrs. Byles, the Family Welfare Association will be represented in Torrance by Mrs. Josephine Price, district secretary. Mrs. Price will be responsible for the public relations of the agency and will be available for speeches describing the organization's work. She plans to recruit a small advisory committee to direct the work in Torrance. Mrs. Price will begin her work in Torrance Sept. 1.

at Riverbank, will be transferred to this plant.

"Contrary to newspaper reports, there will be no lay-off of personnel and all persons are requested to remain on the job. All of us should be proud of the part we have had in supplying aluminum for the war effort and continue to do our best to supply it until the need no longer exists.

"Remember that wars are won or lost by the last battles and we must be sure that we win those last battles.

"H. E. KELLER, Works Manager."

# Marines Observe Anniversary Of War's First Ground Action

## Torrance Girls Win Over Buena Park In Shutout

Southpaw Laura Racey, hurling her "fireball" with unerring control, blasted the unbeatable hopes of the Buena Park girls' softball team in Long Beach last week when she twirled the Torrance Girls to a 3 to 0 shut-out win. It was the first defeat of the season for the Buena Park.

Another league triumph was added Monday night when Mary Racey, making her first start as a hurler, tossed three-hit ball to whip the Douglas team 11 to 3. With a pair of regulars absent, the Torrance Girls dropped a 4 to 2 decision to Lomita Flight Strip last Saturday.

H. B. Dunn, sponsor of the team, said he would have a full strength lineup available for the Saturday night clash and holds high hopes of reversing the decision.

The two victories in the Long Beach league give the Torrance nine claim to a clear lead in that circuit, although Todd Ship, which also defeated Buena Park, is contesting for top spot. The teams clash on Aug. 21 in what may prove the championship game of the third round of play.

The Nottingham Ramblers from Pasadena are scheduled to meet the Torrance Girls at Torrance park Saturday night in what is expected to be a lively game. The visiting team claims 15 straight games. Emily Hagen or Nelva Bird will pitch and Nina Baziak catch for the Ramblers.

"THEY'RE COUNTING ON US—"

As the Marines push on from Tarawa to Saipan to Guam and Tinian, they look back to Aug. 7, 1942, when "the first offensive of the war against the enemy involving ground forces of the United States" took place at Guadalcanal.

The following is a message from Gen. Leroy P. Hunt, then Colonel, Commanding Officer, Combat Group "A." It is as typical of the spirit of the Marines then as it is today. It is worth repeating:

**SUBJECT: The coming of offensive action in Guadalcanal area:**

1. On the eve of our first contact with the enemy it is my desire to express myself regarding a few pertinent points in connection therewith. 2. The coming action in the Guadalcanal area marks the first offensive of the war against the enemy involving ground forces of the United States. The Marines have been selected to initiate the action which will prove to be the decisive actions that will end in ultimate victory for our cause. The Marine Corps is on the spot. Our country expects nothing but victory from us and it shall have just that. The word failure shall not even be considered in our vocabulary.

3. We have worked hard and trained faithfully for this action and I have every confidence in our ability and desire to force our will upon the enemy. We are meeting a tough and wily opponent, but he is not sufficiently tough or wily to overcome us, because we are Marines.

4. Our commanding general and staff are counting upon us and will give us wholehearted support and assistance. Our contemporaries of the other task organizations are red-blooded Marines like ourselves and are ably led. They, too, will be there at the final downfall of the enemy.

5. Each of us has his assigned task. Let each vow to perform it to the utmost of his ability with added effort for good measure.

6. Good luck and God bless you, and to hell with the Japs.

LEROY P. HUNT

# Lomita Corporal Rescues Soldier From Icy Water

Corporals Rex Torbert, 1828 W. 259th place, Lomita, and Edward P. Noonan of the Bronx, New York City, disregarded personal safety to save a soldier identified only as Corporal John Barnes from death in the icy waters of the English Channel during recent operations off Normandy.

Members of a port battalion unloading cargo from a ship into amphibious craft driven by Barnes and members of a truck unit, Noonan and Torbert had just finished filling Barnes' craft with 155 mm. artillery shells. As Barnes pulled away from the boat a choppy sea caused the boat to list and ammunition shifted and Barnes was pitched into the water.

Noonan plunged into the water and Torbert followed on a rope knotted to the ship's rail. Noonan swam against an ebbing tide, retrieved the unconscious Barnes and thrust him within reach of Torbert, who supported him while Noonan grabbed a line and recovered his breath. They boarded the vessel by ladder.

Word of their heroism came to Lomita from headquarters of the European theater of operations.

# Milton Smith Graduates from Navy Training

Milton W. Smith, radio technician, graduated Aug. 4 from Radio Material School at Treasure Island, San Francisco. He has been assigned to the staff, where he will receive further training and will then be sent to Chicago Naval Training School as instructor. Milton was a graduate of the summer class of 1940 at Narbonne and took one year of electrical-radio engineering at Los Angeles City College. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Isaacson and nephew of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Carvill. His mother, Mrs. Don Hollier, lives at 2751 S. Broadway, Long Beach.

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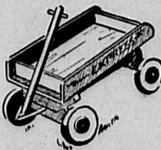
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